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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of DECEMBER , 2003.

IMA EXPLORATION INC.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:

Form 20-F X Form 40-F

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Indicate by check mark whether by furnishing the information contained in this Form, the registrant is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No X

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If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12q3- 2(b): 82-_____

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf of the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

IMA Exploration Inc.
(Registrant)

Date December 18, 2003

By /s/ William Lee

(Signature)

William Lee, Director and Chief Financial Officer

1 Print the name and title of the signing officer under his signature.

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NEWS RELEASE December 18, 2003

IMA Retains Endeavour Financial

IMA Exploration Inc. (IMR:TSX-V) is pleased to announce that the Company has retained Endeavour Financial Ltd. to provide strategic direction and corporate development advice.

"This agreement brings the addition of several well known and capable individuals to the IMA Team, who all share the goal of maximizing the potential of IMA for its shareholders. Endeavour's participation adds significant corporate strength to the Company and I look forward to working with them." Joseph Grosso, President & C.E.O.

Endeavour has provided financial advisory services to the mining and minerals industries for 15 years and has structured and arranged numerous projects, acquisition and corporate financings, corporate mergers and acquisitions, mine acquisitions and divestitures. They are a private, independent investment banking firm with an exclusive mining industry focus, innovative transaction skills and the diverse professional backgrounds. With professional staff operating from offices in Vancouver, George Town and London, they are one of the

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largest investment banking teams dedicated exclusively to the global mining industry.

IMA Exploration Inc. has over \$4,000,000 in its treasury to fund its exploration objectives. The Company focuses on quality exploration work designed to define economic gold and silver deposits in Argentina and Peru. IMA has put together an enviable property portfolio including over 37 well-located, high-potential projects and is continuing to add to this package through grass-roots exploration and staking.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

/s/ Joseph Grosso

Mr. Joseph Grosso, President & CEO

For further information please contact Joseph Grosso, President & CEO, or Sean Hurd, Investor Relations Manager, at 1-800-901-0058 or 604-687-1828, or fax 604-687-1858, or by email info@imaexploration.com, or visit the Company's web site at http://www.imaexploration.com.

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